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Dirk Kempthorne, Governor
C. Stephen Allred, Director

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Beverly Cook
U.S. Department of Energy
Idaho Operations Office
850 Energy Drive
Idaho Falls, ID 83401-1563

Dear Ms. Cook:

Thank you for your June 7, 2001 commitment to not receive any Department of Energy (DOE) or foreign research reactor spent nuclear fuel at the INEEL before June 16.

Based upon that assurance and as agreed in our June 7, 2001, conference call, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will accordingly extend the current deadline for resolving the dispute over DOE's request for extension of milestones for WAG 7, OU 7-10, to June 15, 2001.

DEQ is hopeful that our discussions during this extension period will resolve the dispute.

Sincerely,



C. Stephen Allred
Director

CC: Charles E. Findley, Acting Regional Administrator